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Applicant:

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METHOD FOR REALIZING LOAD BALANCING AT

INTERMEDIATE ROUTERS

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## NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner in the Final Office Action dated May 4, 2004, finally rejecting Claims 1-22.

- [ ] Applicant claims small entity status.
- [X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:
- [X] Notice of Appeal Fee
  - [X] To be paid as detailed below
  - [ ] Not required (Fee paid in prior appeal)

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- [X] A check in the amount of \$1320.00 is enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

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